

# **TECHNOLOGY INOVATIONS FUND**

## **SEMI-ANNUAL PROJECT STATUS SUMMARY**

**September 1, 2004**

**I. DEPARTMENT/AGENCY**

Department of Public Safety/Office of the State Fire Marshal

**II. PROJECT TITLE**

Fire Marshal Information Management System ("FMIMS")

**III. PROJECT COORDINATOR**

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**IV. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT**

The project is being implemented to provide the ability for the Louisiana Architectural, Engineering, and Construction community ("AEC") as well as the general public to submit and review plans through a web based portal; to provide the SFM the ability to perform construction inspections while in possession of the most current information on that specific project; the capability to provide the citizens and businesses of the State of Louisiana electronic communication with the State Fire Marshal's Office via the web; the means of producing quicker and more cost effective correspondence with the AEC and Louisiana citizens; and the implementation of a program than can potentially be interconnected with other state agencies and local municipalities around the country.

**V. PROJECT STATUS**

a. Brief Summary

The project continues to proceed as expected and is on schedule. All computer hardware and software has been received, installed and accepted. Vector Graphics, the selected contractor for the FMIMS program, reported to our location on September 23, 2003 and commenced work on October 1, 2003. Our last projection (June 1, 2004) called for work at this point of the project to be 85% complete overall, and we are at this point. Current project billing (60%) is in line with work completed (63%). Projected completion of the project still remains March 2005.

b. Expenditures

There have been no new expenditures during this time frame. However, there remains \$162,941 of the original grant (\$1,000,000) realized through cost savings in the purchase of hardware and software. We have submitted a request to use the remainder of the funds to pay for a combination of Professional/Contract services and or other software and hardware to support the project.

c. Problems Encountered/Action Taken or Planned

There are no known problems at this time.

d. Major Milestones (Original v. Current Estimate)

The original plan was to obtain the software, hardware and consulting services at the same time. However, due to regulatory procedures, the project was divided into three phases: purchase of software (completed), purchase of hardware (completed) and contractual agreement for consulting services. Our original estimate for consulting services (to chose a contractor) called for this phase to be complete by March 2003. Because the contract for professional services was required to be advertised and publicly bid, the execution of the contract was delayed for six months, until September, 2003. The duration of the contract has not changed (18 months), meaning the completion date has shifted to March 2005.

**VI. COST VS. BUDGET**

All known hardware and software has been purchased and installed. Currently there is a surplus of \$162,941 that remains from the original grant, which resulted from competitive shopping and good business practice.

**VII. ITEMIZED EXPENSES AND FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS INCURRED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD**

- a. Purchase of Hardware - None
- b. Purchase of Software - None
- c. Professional Consulting Services – \$880,000 was the original estimate; \$786,000 actual contract amount. 61% (\$497,460) of the \$786,000 total has been paid to the contractor since commencement of the contract (Sep 3003) until September 1, 2004.

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BASELINE – PROJECT STATUS SUMMARY**

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JUN 2002	SEP 2002	DEC 2002	MAR 2003	JUN 2003	SEP 2003	DEC 2003	MAR 2004	JUN 2004	SEP 2004	DEC 2004	MAR 2005
0%	0%	0%	10%	25%	30%	40%	50%	65%	85%	95%	100%

